

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of JESSE HANKINS and AMANDA
HANKINS, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

ROY HANKINS,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

GLORIA BOYD,

Respondent.

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No. 210498

Branch Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 84-000021

Before: White, P.J., and Markey and Wilder, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals by delayed leave granted from a family court order terminating his parental rights to the minor children pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i) and (g); MSA 27.3178 (598.19b)(3)(c)(i) and (g). We affirm.

The family court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997); *In re Vasquez*, 199 Mich App 44, 51-52; 501 NW2d 231 (1993). In addition, respondent-appellant failed to show that termination of his parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5). Therefore,

the family court did not err in terminating respondent-appellant's parental rights to the children. *In re Hall-Smith, supra* at 473.

We affirm.

/s/ Helene N. White

/s/ Jane E. Markey

/s/ Kurtis T. Wilder